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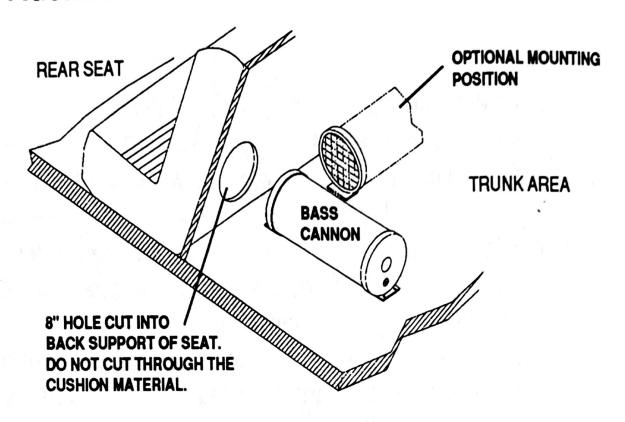
**Amplified Subwoofer** STW800

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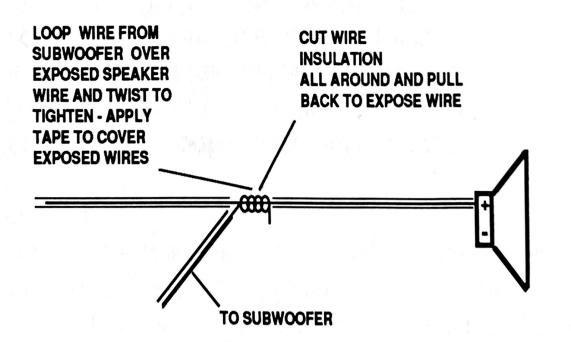
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## FIGURE 1

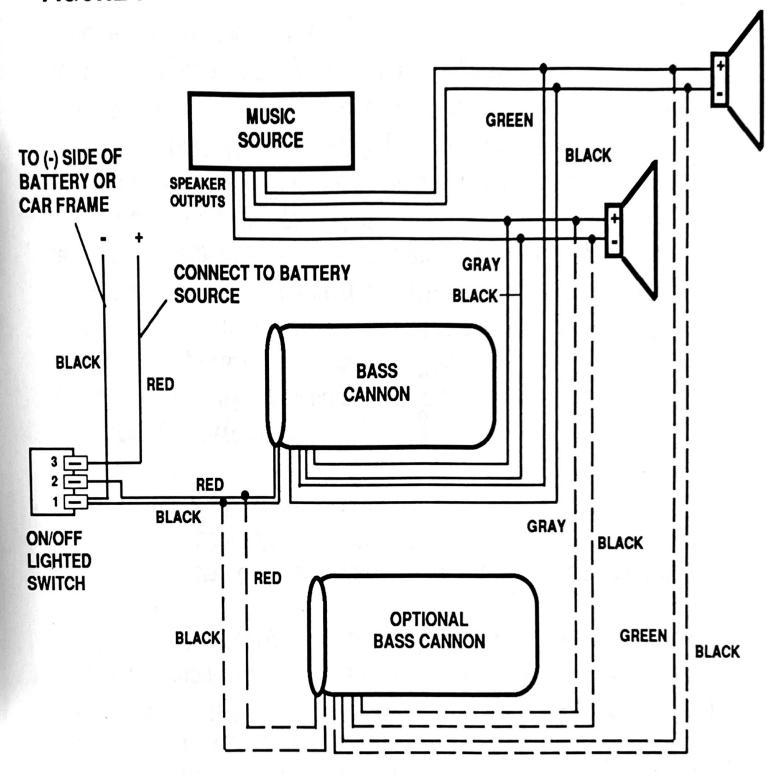


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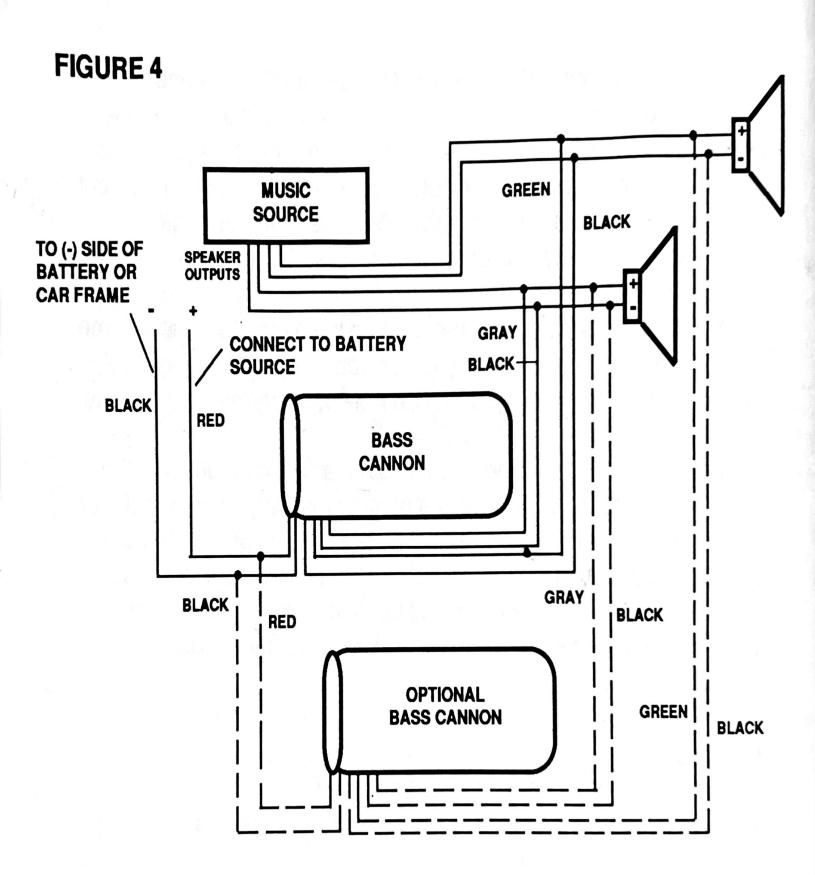




# FIGURE 3









#### Message to Owners

Before installing your new Sparkomatic equipment, be sure to read this manual thoroughly and follow the instructions carefully. That way you'll be sure to get the full enjoyment of the features engineered into your unit. Thank you for choosing Sparkomatic equipment.

#### Description

The STW800 Amplified Subwoofer is designed to reinforce bass frequencies below 250 Hz utilizing a single 8" speaker and two internal amplifiers. The tube housing is tuned by a rear port to provide maximum bass. The use of two amplifiers produces high audio power at low distortion, low amplifier noise and long amplifier life. Frequencies below 250 Hz are nondirectional allowing the subwoofer to be mounted in a variety of locations.

#### Mounting the Subwoofer

It is recommended that the subwoofer be mounted securely in a location that is relatively flat. Use the subwoofer as a template to mark off the four mounting hole locations. Drill 1/8" holes at each location. Do not overtighten the screws--just tighten until snug. Be certain the screws will not damage the fuel lines or electrical connections.

The subwoofer mounting location for hatchbacks, pickup trucks, vans, etc. should allow the speaker to be positioned with the grille side of the unit pointed into the corner and at least 4" from the sides of the vehicle. In some instances the subwoofer can be placed on the back seat or the floor of the vehicle. Some sedans have airtight trunks. If mounted in the trunk, the subwoofer performance may be restricted. By making an 8" hole in the back wall of the rear seat the sound intensity will be greatly increased. See Figure 1. DO NOT CUT THROUGH THE CUSHION MATERIAL. The subwoofer sounds will penetrate through the cushion part of the seat easily. To make the hole, use an electricians saw or saber saw. Clean away anything that may vibrate and cause distortion.

#### Connecting the Subwoofer to an Audio Source

The STW800 has 3 pairs of wires that must be connected to make it operational. One pair (red and black) is connected to the battery and the other two pairs are connected across the speaker output of the music source. The input circuitry of the STW800 amplifiers are designed to operate from high or low power radios without any additional components. See Figure 2. Connections to the speaker wires can be made by carefully cutting around the insulation (not enough to cut the wire) and pulling back on the insulation to expose the wire. Then wrap the subwoofer speaker wires around the exposed wire and tape over the wires to prevent shorts. If a soldering iron is available the leads can be soldered directly to the speaker terminals.

Care must be taken when making connections to the speaker to make sure the "phasing"\* of the input subwoofer leads are correct. If one input is out of phase with the other, very little sound will come



out of the subwoofer. If this occurs then the leads from one speaker must be reversed. When the subwoofer is added to the output of the vehicle speakers there will be a noticeable increase in bass power. If bass is not increased, then the subwoofer output may be out of phase with the vehicle speakers. In this instance input leads to the subwoofer must be reversed. This must be done to both inputs.

To blend the subwoofer with the existing speakers, turn the volume up on the music source slightly above your normal listening level, then adjust the <u>bass level</u> control on the subwoofer to enhance the low bass sounds.

\* When connecting the speakers, make the following observation. Notice that most speakers have a polarity marking such as a dot or + sign on the speaker terminals. These markings denote the positive terminals and are used as a guide to "phase" the speakers. Improper phasing causes a loss of bass response. Follow the wiring diagram in Figure 3 to ensure that the speakers are properly phased.

#### **Connecting Power**

Two choices are available when connecting power to the subwoofer. In one instance the supplied switch can be used to turn the subwoofer power on and off.

Power can also be obtained from the accessory terminal. If the accessory terminal is used then the subwoofer will be activated whenever the ignition is turned on. The subwoofer amplifiers have long life and will not be damaged if kept on all the times the vehicle is operating.

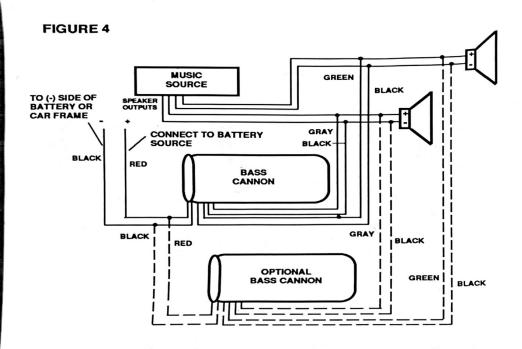
With Switch: Mount the switch under the dash with the 2 screws supplied. Use the switch as a template to mark off the 2 mounting holes. Use a 7/64" drill to make starter holes for the screws. Connect the terminal connector on the black ground wire to post #1 on the switch housing and to the negative post on the battery or to the chassis frame. Connect the terminal connector on the red wire to post #2 on the switch housing. A separate red wire (1 meter long) connects to position #3 on the switch housing and to the fuse box, ignition post or directly to the plus (+) terminal of the battery. See Figure 3.

Without Switch: Connect the red lead to the accessory terminal of the battery and the black ground lead to the chassis frame. See Figure 4. (Note that the separate red wire is not used.)

#### **Additional Subwoofers**

If it is desired to increase subwoofer bass, several units can be connected in parallel, see Figure 3. The switch can be used to power up to four subwoofers. When the subwoofers are at full volume they consume approximately 4 amperes. Care must be taken that the plus (+) supply can handle the increase in current consumption as units are added.

The accessory terminal can also be used to supply power as previously described. When paralleling make sure the colors of the wires are observed. When units are added adjust the bass level controls to approximately the same level, otherwise one unit may become overloaded before the other.

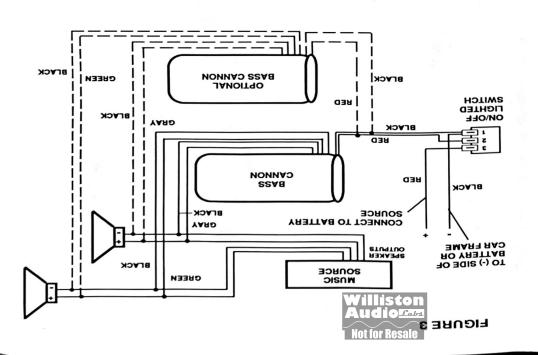


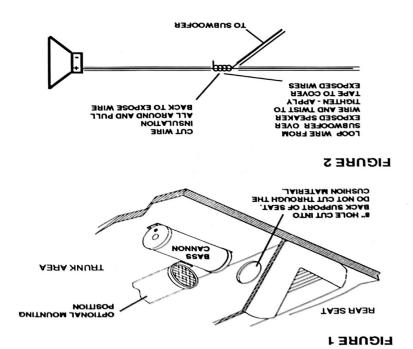
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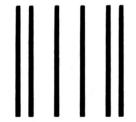
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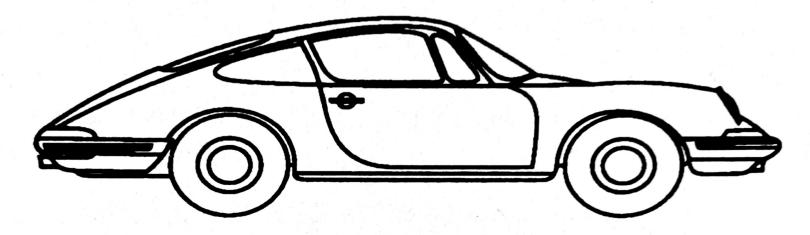


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